

# **Town of Mammoth Lakes**

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# TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE

<u>April 14, 2020</u> - The Parks and Recreation Department recognizes the physical and mental health benefits of outdoor recreation and encourage the community to recreate responsibly. At this time, you can still enjoy time outdoors at the following areas for passive use, such as walking, jogging or leisure time outdoors for families and individuals. CDC guidelines requiring social distancing of at least 6 feet must be followed at all times, and the gathering of groups is prohibited.

#### Whitmore Recreation Area - OPEN

The Whitmore Recreation Area is currently OPEN as an outdoor-only, open-space facility for self-directed use. Bilingual COVID-19 information and social distancing guidelines have been posted in the display case, entrance to the track and on the restrooms, which are currently open. The gate to the track has been removed, allowing users to enter without having to touch a communal surface.

## Multi-Use Paths (MLTS) – OPEN (pending snow)

The Multi-Use Paths (MLTS) are currently OPEN (pending snow). All trail users are recommended to wear face coverings or masks in public. Users are also reminded to comply with municipal codes requiring all dogs to be on leash and pet waste to be disposed of by owners.

#### **Park and Facility Closures**

Out of an abundance of caution and in accordance with guidance from State and local health officials to regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, the Mammoth Lakes Department of Parks and Recreation has temporarily closed the following parks and facilities. Large numbers of visitors and the nature of these amenities have made it extremely difficult to maintain social distancing and prevent the congregation of people in groups, both critical practices in preventing the spread of COVID-19. The health and safety of our community remains our top priority and we appreciate your support, understanding and cooperation during this challenging time.

#### Volcom Brothers Skate Park and Little Brothers Skate Park - CLOSED

Volcom Brothers Skate Park and Little Brothers Skate Park are CLOSED until further notice. Barricades and bilingual signage have been installed at the entrance to the skate park, and the parking area has been closed.

### **Trails End Park Playground - CLOSED**

The Trails End Park Playground is CLOSED until further notice. In addition to concerns regarding social distancing and the congregation of groups, recent studies have also shown that the COVID-

19 virus can survive for up to 72 hours on plastic and stainless-steel surfaces. Barricades and bilingual signage have been installed at the playground, and the parking area has been closed. Bilingual COVID-19 information is posted on the restrooms, which are also closed.

### Mammoth Ice Rink/ RecZone – CLOSED

The Mammoth Ice Rink/RecZone is CLOSED until further notice. The facility has been locked and secured.

#### **Mammoth Creek Park - CLOSED**

The Mammoth Creek Park Playground is CLOSED until further notice. Barricades and bilingual signage have been installed at the playground and swings have been locked. Bilingual COVID-19 information is posted in the display case and the restrooms, which are currently OPEN.

#### **Community Center – CLOSED**

The Community Center is being utilized as the Emergency Operations Center and is CLOSED until further notice. Staff are providing assistance as required.

## **Community Center Tennis Courts – CLOSED**

The Community Center Tennis Courts are CLOSED until further notice. The gates have been locked.

## **Community Center Playground – CLOSED**

The Community Center Playground is CLOSED until further notice. Barricades and bilingual signage have been installed at the playground

#### Shady Rest Park – CLOSED

In compliance with the USFS Pacific Southwest Region (Region 5) order issued on March 27, 2020, regarding the closure of all developed USFS recreation sites, Shady Rest Park is CLOSED until further notice. The entrance gate has been locked.